



Attention: All Interested Parties
Re: Deadline Extension for Quadrennial Report
Date: December 31, 2020

Regulatory Guidance 20-35

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Authority.

On March 13, 2020, Governor Tim Walz signed Executive Order 20-01, declaring a peacetime emergency related to COVID-19.

On March 28, 2020, Governor Tim Walz signed House File 4531 authorizing Commissioner of Commerce Steve Kelley ("Commissioner") to delay, stay, or waive the following licensing, investigative and other deadlines related to the duties and responsibilities of the Commissioner and regulated entities required to effectively continue the business of the Minnesota Department of Commerce and to assist regulated entities during the current peacetime emergency.

On April 13, 2020, Governor Tim Walz signed Executive Order 20-35, extending the COVID-19 peacetime emergency declared in Executive Order 20-01.

On May 13, 2020, Governor Tim Walz signed Executive Order 20-53, extending the COVID-19 peacetime emergency declared in Executive Order 20-01.

On June 12, 2020, Governor Tim Walz signed Executive Order 20-75, extending the COVID-19 peacetime emergency declared in Executive Order 20-01.

On July 13, 2020, Governor Tim Walz signed Executive Order 20-78, extending the COVID-19 peacetime emergency declared in Executive Order 20-01.

On August 12, 2020, Governor Tim Walz signed Executive Order 20-83, extending the COVID-19 peacetime emergency declared in Executive Order 20-01.

On September 11, 2020, Governor Tim Walz signed Executive Order 20-89, extending the COVID-19 peacetime emergency declared in Executive Order 20-01.

On October 12, 2020, Governor Tim Walz signed Executive Order 20-92, extending the COVID-19 peacetime emergency declared in Executive Order 20-01.

On November 12, 2020, Governor Tim Walz signed Executive Order 20-97, extending the COVID-19 peacetime emergency declared in Executive Order 20-01.

On December 14, 2020, Governor Tim Walz signed Executive Order 20-100, extending the COVID-19 peacetime emergency declared in Executive Order 20-01.

In light of the challenges related to the COVID-19 virus, the Commissioner of Commerce has issued an Order granting temporary deadline extensions.

Guidance.

An extension is granted to the deadline for submission of the State Energy Policy and Conservation Report, commonly known as the Quadrennial State Energy Conservation and Policy Report. The report's deadline is extended from December 31, 2020 to no later than March 1, 2021.

Every four years, the Commissioner is directed by statute to issue a comprehensive report designed to identify major emerging trends and issues in energy supply, consumption, conservation, and costs pursuant to Minn. Stat. §216C.18 Subd. 1.

Upon publication, reports are posted and maintained at the Minnesota Legislative Reference Library (LRL). Previous State Energy Policy and Conservation Reports are online at https://www.leg.state.mn.us/lrl/mndocs/mandates_detail?orderid=664

The Commissioner or their designee will contact the Minnesota Legislative Reference Library and request that until the 2020 report is submitted, on or before March 1, 2021, that the following message be added to the LRL section regarding this report, "The Department of Commerce expects to publish the Energy Policy and Conservation Report on March 1, 2021."

Questions.

Specific questions should be directed to aditya.ranade@state.mn.us or 651-539-1801.

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